

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

CHIMERIC PROSTATE-HOMING PEPTIDES WITH  
PRO-APOPTOTIC ACTIVITY

5       The present invention provides a chimeric prostate-homing peptide with pro-apoptotic activity. In a preferred embodiment, the chimeric prostate-homing pro-apoptotic peptide contains the sequence SMSIARL-GG<sub>0</sub>(KLAKLAK)<sub>2</sub>. Methods of using such chimeric  
10 peptides for treating patients having prostate cancer also are provided.

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